

Riverside
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My dear Thom,

The excuse I make
for F. O. is this

His will was made
years ago and he may
have meant to insert
something of the kind I
wish; but I am heartily
grieved nevertheless.

I shall quit his
house as soon as I can,
for the sake of my own
peace of mind: besides,
the property changes hands,
and goes to his Brother,
whom I do not like, nor

be me, which is natural

No: I must go
and live (not long at 93)
with those who love me;
though they may not ^{quite} un-
derstand & allow for me.
Possibly I am unusually unable.

Now I must, if I intend
to be as happy as I can be
at my time of life - if life
you can ~~well~~ call it

My best thanks for
the excellent Photo.

Yours with sincere
affection (the
one I thought & hoped was
my best friend has failed
even to remember

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